

REMARKS

Applicant is in receipt of a Unity of Invention Requirement dated March 30, 2011. The Unity of Invention Requirement requires that restriction be made between one of the following groups: Group I (Claims 1 to 6 and 8); and Group II (Claim 7).

Applicant elects, with traverse, to proceed with the prosecution of Group I (Claims 1 to 6 and 8). Claim 9 has been added and should be examined in the elected Group. Applicant reserves the right to file and prosecute applications for the non-elected group, Group II (Claim 7).

The Unity of Invention Requirement is respectfully traversed because Applicant believes that Claims 1 to 9 have unity of invention.

Claims 1 to 8 were deemed by the Office as lacking unity of invention due to an apparent difference between the subject matter of Group I (Claims 1 to 6 and 8) and that of Group II (Claim 7). Dependent Claim 9 has been added and corresponds to the features of independent Claim 7. Applicant believes that the inclusion of Claim 9 eliminates the apparent differences between the subject matter of Claim 7 and Claims 1 to 6, 8 and 9. Accordingly, the Unity of Invention Requirement is believed to be obviated and its withdrawal is therefore respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

No claim fees are believed due. However, should it be determined that additional claim fees are required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17, the Director is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account 06-1205.

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